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## ANNUAL REPORT

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## TOWN OFFICERS.

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1st. Selectman,	F. A. Robie
2nd. Selectman,	F. A. Horton
3rd. Selectman,	J. P. Metcalf
Town Clerk,	E. R. Celley
Treasurer,	Admon C. Drury
Tax Collector	Orlo B. Stanley
Police,	Wilmer F. Towle
Dog Officer,	N. M. Gould
Assessors,	H. E. Morrison
Assessors,	S G Hannaford
Assessors,	E. L. Stevens
Supervisors,	H. Hodsdon
Supervisors,	C. O. Fellows
Supervisors,	Arthur Evans
Auditors,	S. G. Hannaford
Auditors,	Wm. E. Ford
Moderator,	C. O. French
Trustees of Trust Funds,	H. E. Morrison
Trustees of Trust Funds,	O. B. Stanley
Trustees of Trust Funds,	J. F. Simpson
Trustees of Library,	Mrs. M. Robie
Trustees of Library,	Mrs. Louise Horton
Trustees of Library,	Mrs. Abbie Drury

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the town of Piermont, in the county of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Huose in said town on Tuesday, the 11th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

- 1 To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
- 2 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary

to defray town charges, for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

3 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for highways and bridges.

4 To see what amount of money the town will raise to secure State aid for permanent highway construction.

5 To see if the town will vote to raise the amount of money necessary to secure State aid for maintenance of roads under State aid.

6 To see if the town will vote to grant a discount on taxes paid before a certain date fixed by town.

7 To see what action the town will take in regard to three culverts on the river road needing repair, and appropriate money for the same.

8 To see what action the town will take in regard to repairing the road in front of Albert Bowles.

9 To see if the town will raise any money to eradicate the pine blister rust.

10 To see if the town will raise any money for the observance of Memorial day.

11 To see what amount of money the town will raise for the Library.

12 To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and nineteen.

F. A. ROBIE,  
FRED. A. HORTON,  
J. P. METCALF,  
Selectmen of Piermont.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest.

F. A. ROBIE  
FRED. A. HORTON,  
J. P. METCALF,  
Selectmen of Piermont.

## BUDGET FOR 1919.

		Estimate for 1919
	APPROPRIATIONS 1918	
Town Charges	\$2000.00	\$2000.00
Highways by Vote	2500.00	2000.00
Highways by Law	1511.20	1807.22
State aid construction	906.72	1138.50
State aid Maintenance approxi- mate cost \$125.00	1058.59	125.00
Trunk line Maintenance	400.00	600.00
Library by Vote	100.00	100.00
Library by Law	38.50	38.50
For Observance of Memorial Day	25.00	20.00
State Tax	936.00	1,215.50
County Tax	979.02	979.02
To Secure State aid to fight Pine Blisters	150.00	150.00
Interest on Town Notes	588.36	527.14
Overlay by law	722.14	500.00
For Red Cross Work	50.00	
Payment on Town Debt		1000.00
For Support of Schools by law	936.00	1072.50
For Support of Schools by vote	1500.00	1500.00
Repairs on school buildings	300.00	300.00
Tuition	350.00	600.00
Books and Supplies	300.00	200.00
Flags	25.00	
District Officers Salaries	122.00	122.00
Superintendent Salaries	225.00	225.00
Deficiency appropriation	600.00	
		<hr/> \$16123.48
		\$16120.38

F. A. Robie      E. V. Howard  
 Fred A. Horton    O. B. Stanley  
 J. P. Metcalf      A. M. Simons  
 F. D. Cutting

S. G. Hannaford  
 O. C. Drury  
 and others.

## Valuation Year 1918.

No polls	188	
Resident real estate		\$373,121
Non resident real estate		223,075
Horses	269	33,485
Oxen	18	2,725
Cows	882	68,439
Neat Stock	112	6,365
Sheep	182	1,390
Hogs	28	855
Fowls	1092	1,439
Vehicles and autos	29	10,570
Mills, portable		500
Wood and Lumber not stock in trade		4,820
Boats and Launches		200
Money at interest		225
Stock in trade		30,578
Mills and machinery		5,100
	Total	\$762,887
Soldiers' exemption		1,925
		760,962
Taxrate for 1918		\$1.95
Estimates valuation for 1919		\$760.00
Estimates Taxrates for 1919		\$2.10

## MONEY TAX FOR YEAR 1918

Town Charges	\$2000.00
Highway by vote	2500.00
Highways by law	1511.20
State aid construction	906.72
State aid maintenance	100.00
Trunk line	400.00
Library by vote	100.00
Library by law	38.50
Observance of Memorial Day	25.00

State Tax	936.00
County Tax	779.02
Red Cross material for our boys	50.00
To secure State aid to control Pine Blister	150.00
Interest on town notes	588.36
Overlay	722.14
Gain on fractions	23.75
Taxes added in Dec.	26.35
Support of schools by law	936.00
Support of schools by vote	1500.00
Repairs and improvements on school buildings	300.00
Tuition	350.00
Books and supplies	300.00
Flags	25.00
District officers salaries	122.00
Supt. salary	225.00
Deficiency	600.00
Total submitted to tax collectors for collection	\$15,215.02

F. A. ROBIE  
 F. A. HORTON  
 J. P. METCALF

Selectmen.

#### SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall and lot	\$3200.00
Furniture and Equipment	200.00
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Library building and lot	1000.00
Books and furnishings	1000.00
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Police Department	
Building and land	50.00
Equipment	50.00
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Highway Department	
Town barn	\$200.00

1 Dump Cart	25.00
1 Road machine	150.00
3 Snow Rollers	150.00
1 large hone	10.00
Plow	5.00
2 wheelbarrows	4.00
1 set double harness	15.00
1 small hone	5.00
1 stone drag	5.00
1 Bush scythe and snath	1.50
1 Bush Clippers	1.50
1 Road machine blade	10.00
7 Shovels, 4 Stone picks and 1 pick	5.50
5 lbs. dynamite	2.00
Bridge plank stringers and board	450.00
	1,037.50
Cedar Grove Cemetery	500.00
South Lawn Cemetery	1000.00
Hearse	150.00
	\$1650.00
	8,187.50

F. A. ROBIE  
 FRED A. HORTON  
 J. P. METCALF  
 F. D. CUTTING

**BALANCE****Feb. 1,****ASSETS**

Cash in treasurer's hands	\$5,490.44
Due from State Joint construction fund	324.64
"    "    Trunk line maintenance	11.37
"    "    Fire bill for 1917	1.50
"    "    Fire bill for 1918.	3.25
	_____
	\$5,831.20
"    "    H. B. Foote grass on school lots	97.02
"    "    Cemetery committee	97.02
"    "    3 lots sold at \$12 ea.	36.00
"    "    4 lots sold at \$18 ea.	72.00
"    "    Grass sold to Hazen Wilson in 1916	4.00
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	112.00
"    "    R. Webster rent	6.00
"    "    Mr. Swain, lumber	30.00
	_____
	36.00
"    "    O. B. Stanley Bal. on tax levy of 1918	158.00
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	158.00
Materials for use on highways	
Bridge plank and other lumber	450.00
5 lbs. Dynamite at 40c.	2.00
	_____
	\$452.00
Total assets	\$6,686.22
Net debt Feb. 1, 1918.	\$10,174.04
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Net debt Feb. 1, 1918	\$15,341.32
The net debt has been reduced in the past year \$1,518.94	\$10,174.04

## SHEET

1919.

## LIABILITIES

Due to school district,	\$1,917.69	
		\$1,917.69
Due to Joint construction fund in State treas.	324.64	
Due to Joint construction fund in Town treas.	788.54	
Due to Trunk line maintenance, Town treas.	7.56	
Due to Trunk line maintenance State treas.	11.37	
		\$1,132.11
Due to Highways and bridges town asst.	236.27	
Due to Bal. Memorial Day funds	8.00	
		\$244.27
Due to Serial notes		

No. of Note	Date of issue	To whom given	Amount	Rate of int.	Due
1	Jan. 31, 1918	Henry S. Muchmore	\$1000.00	4½	Jan. 31, 1920
2	" "	" " "	1000.00	4½	" 1921
3	" "	" " "	1000.00	4½	" 1922
4	Jan. 1, "	Alonzo E. Pennock	1000.00	4	" 1923
5	Jan. 31, "	Sarah Muchmore	1000.00	4½	" 1924
6	" "	Daniel C. Muchmore	1000.00	4½	" 1925
7	" "	Alonzo E. Pennock	1000.00	4½	" 1926
7-A	" "	Joseph Lawrence	1000.00	4½	" 1927
8	" "	Ellen Lawrence	1000.00	4½	" 1928
9	" "	Horace Clough	400.00	4½	" 1929
9-A	" "	Eva J. Metcalf	600.00	4½	" 1929
10	" "	J. N. Leonard	1000.00	4½	" 1930
11	" "	Trustees of Trust Funds	947.25	3½	" 1931
12	" "	" " "	100.00	4	" 1932

\$12,047.25

\$12,047.25

Gross debt. \$15,341.32

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

## Summary of Receipts

Received of Tax Collector	\$15,079.97
Received of State Treasurer	1,934.70
Received from all other sources	608.79
	—————
Cash in treasury Jan. 31, 1918	17,623.46
	3,990.16
	—————
	\$21,613.62

## Summary of Payments

Current maintenance	8,437.83
New construction	220.18
Indebtedness	1,360.00
Other governmental divisions	6,105.17
	—————
	16,123.18

Cash in treasurer's hands Jan. 31, 1919	\$5,490.44
ADMON C. DRURY, Treas.	

We have examined the treasurer's accounts and found them correct.

S. G. HANNAFORD  
WILLIAM E. FORD  
Auditors

**DETAILED ACCOUNT OF RECEIPTS**

Received of O. B. Stanley, taxes	15,057.02
Received of O. B. Stanley, interest taxes	22.95
	—————
State treas. for schools	838.96
State treas. for trunk lie maintenance	588.63
State aid maintenance	485.40
State aid construction	1.11
State Bounties on hedgehogs	20.60
	—————
	\$1,934.70

Rent of tenements	112.00
Rent of Town Hall	2.00
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	114.00
Sarah Moore lease	10.00
F. D. Cutting, over paid	8.00
W. B. Deal 2 Cemetery lots sold	36.00
E. L Stevens grass on school lot	74.69
F. L. Day grass on school lot	75.00
E. R. Celley Dog licenses	111.60
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	\$315.29
Hattie P. Baldwin for perpetual care of Messer lot in Cedar Grove Cemetery	100.00
F D Cutting for cedar posts	.60
Town for Haverhill for gravel	15.00
John Lufkin for old iron	1.00
William French for old iron	2.00
F. D. Cutting for cement and bags	5.00
E. D. Day for grass in Cemetery	8.00
Geo. A. French, boards from Risley gulley	25.00
J. F. Simpson grass in Cemetery	6.00
L. R. Stevens, Police protection	10.00
R. L. Risley, Bal. due cemetery funds	6.90
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	\$179.50
Total receipts	\$17,623.46
Cash in treasury Jan. 31, 1918	3,990.16
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Grand Total	\$21,613.62

**DETAILED REPORT OF PAYMENTS****General Government**

Town Officers' Salaries	
Selectman F. A. Robie	\$115.00
Selectman F. A. Horton	101.50
Selectman J. P. Metcalf	95.00

Town Clerk E. R. Celley	40.00
Treasurer Admon C. Drury	52.00
Tax Collector O. B. Stanley	125.00
Dog Officer N. M. Gould	5.00
Assessor H. E. Morrison	85.50
Assessor S. G. Hannaford	49.55
Assessor E. L. Stevens	18.00
Auditor S. G. Hannaford	4.00
Auditor Wm. E. Ford	4.00
	—————
	\$694.55

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES

E. C. Eastman Co. Supplies	12.10
300 Town reports and ex. on same	51.75
Making out and mailing Town reports	31.92
W. J. Randolph, copies of transfers	3.11
Treasurer's bond	15.00
Legal advise and other items	6.03
E. R. Celley Stationery	5.10
Copying tax book	4.00
Copying inventory	6.00
E. R. Celley, Supplies	8.36
Tel. bills and various other items	5.58
A. C. Drury, Postage and sup- plies	10.02
	—————
	\$158.97

Election and Registration	
C. O. Fellows, Supervision	20.00
H. Hodsdon Supervision	20.00
Arthur Evans, Supervision	20.00
Eastman Co. Warrant and tal- ley sheets	.98
C. O. French, Moderator	6.00
J. F. Simpson, ballot clerk	5.00

O. J. Blair, ballot clerk	2.00
E. V. Howard, ballot clerk	2.00
S. G. Hannaford, ballot clerk	3.00
J. E. Lee, ballot clerk	2.00
W. E. Ford, ballot clerk	3.00
O. B. Stanley, ballot clerk	5.00
	_____
	\$88.98
Town Hall and Library Building	
N R Celley, care of hall	\$6.50
F A Robie, repairs on tenement	.83
A E Pennock, repairs on tenement	7.00
N R Celley, repairs on tenement	1.00
W E Ford, repairs on shingling	6.00
A E Pennock, repairs on tenement	4.00
J Hill, janitor hall,	11.50
F A Robie, lumber for repairs	
library building	2.72
C O French, janitor	1.30
E V Howard, shingles for	
library building	13.32
J E Lee, supplies for library	
building	3.81
C O French, janitor	4.60
	_____
	\$62.58
Police Department	
H Wilson, keeping tramps	4.75
Expense of drowning accident	10.45
W F Towle, salary	25.00
	_____
	\$40.20
Moths (Pine bliser)	\$150.00
	_____
	\$150.00
Fire Department	
Geo L Webster, fire warden	\$6.50
	_____
	\$6.50
Bounties	
F A Robie, bounties on	
hedgehogs	\$20.60
	_____
	\$20.60

## Damage by Dogs

G LaMontangue, sheep killed	19.70
Geo. E. Foote, sheep killed	12.00
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	\$31.70

## Health Department

W W Gould	\$40.55
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	\$40.55

## Vital Statistics

E R Celley, births, deaths and marriages	\$6.80
Fraser	1.25
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	\$8.05

## Highways and Bridges

## State Aid Maintenance

F D Cutting	\$38.02
C W Jewell	10.00
C W Jewell	12.00
C W Jewell	21.50
Dodge, Haley Co., steel for culvert, Risley gulley	66.69
C W Jewell	4.00
C W Jewell	10.00
E V Howard, supplies for Risley culvert	104.30
B C, labor Risley culvert	77.00
J P Metcalf, labor Risley culvert	25.57
B C French, labor Risley culvert	178.01
J P Metcalf, labor Risley culvert	27.05
John E Lufkin, material Risley culvert	49.00
B C French, labor	5.50
B C French, labor Risley culvert	197.56
C W Jewell, labor Risley culvert	8.00
E S Underhill, Risley culvert	10.70
Henry Underhill, labor and material Risley culvert	36.18
D S Stone, lumber Risley culvert	12.17

Libbey Bros., cement Risley culvert	87.50
Chas Tarbox, material Risley culvert	3.60
Piermont Mfg. Co., lumber Risley culvert	64.07
E V Howard, material Risley culvert	2.90
B C French, material and cartage Risley culvert	1.75
J E Lee, supplies Risley culvert	5.47
	\$1058.54
<b>Trunk Line Maintenance</b>	
C W Jewell, patrol	981.07
	\$981.07
<b>Town Maintenance</b>	
D S Stone, bridge plank	\$710.94
Guy Evans, labor	3.00
F A Robie, land for road to Lewis French's	30.00
Henry Horton, lumber	192.64
W E Ford, scaling logs	3.00
H E Morrison, drawing deeds,	3.00
Insurance on lower river bridge	49.50
H E Morrison, saw bill	61.93
B C French, repairs to road machine	1.10
J Hill, water supply	2.00
Fay Emery, water supply	2.00
M B Sawyer, water supply	3.00
E L Stevens, water supply	3.00
Geo Hibbard, water supply	3.00
H H Nutt, water supply	2.00
Mary Horton, land rent	3.00
	\$1073.11
<b>F D Cutting Road Agent</b>	
Street lights	2581.82
	120.00
	\$3774.93

Libraries		
Trustee of Library	\$138.50	
	_____	
Patriotic		\$138.50
For Red Cross supplies	\$50.00	
For observance of Memorial Day	35.00	
For Service Flag and fixtures	10.60	
	_____	
		\$93.60
Cemeteries		
J W Davis, plan of So Lawn Cemetery	\$26.28	
N R Celley, mowing Cedar Grove cemetery	10.00	
Trustees of trust funds, the Hattie P Baldwin fund for the perpetual care of the Messer lot in Cedar Grove cemetery	100.00	
O B Stanley, care of River road cemetery	11.54	
R L Risley, bill for work and materials	6.90	
	_____	
		\$154.72
Discounts and Abatements		
O B Stanley, discounts on taxes of 1918	\$313.08	
O B Stanley, abatements	41.36	
	_____	
		354.44
New Construction State Aid		
F D Cutting, labor	\$19.00	
N M Gould, supt. State road and labor	93.88	
O B Stanley, labor	1.65	
E S Underhill, wire, labor and posts	103.65	
Geo Day, labor	2.00	
	_____	
		\$220.18

Interest on all town notes To Jan. 31st, 1919	\$579.35	
Town Notes Paid in full		\$579.35
Joseph Lawrence	\$700.00	
Jonathan Tyler Council		
O U A M,	200.00	
M Ella Braynard	160.00	
Althea Stanley estate	300.00	
		\$1360.00
Payments to other Governmental divisions		
State Tax	\$936.00	
County Tax	779.02	
		\$1715.02
School district treasurer		
Bal. due for School year ending Aug. 31st, 1918	\$1551.19	
Paid district Treas. on acct. of funds for year ending		
Aug. 31st, 1919	2838.96	
		\$4390.15
Total Payments		\$16,123.18
	F. A. ROBIE, FRED. A. HORTON, J. P. METCALF, Selectmen.	

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#### REPORT OF F. D. CUTTING, ROAD AGENT

For year ending Jan. 31, 1919 .

Received from Town Treasurer,	\$2638.84	
Expended for Town Road Maintenance		\$2581.82
Expended for State Road Construction and Maintenance		57.02

#### PAID

American Express Co., ex. on Mch. repairs	\$ 1.47
Ray E Bonette, labor	39.25
A F Curtis, labor	6.60

Fay S Emery, labor	1.00
Fay S Emery, land damage	8.00
W E Ford, labor	102.00
W H French, gravel and labor	9.50
Geo A French, cutting bushes,	22.00
Nelson M Gould, labor	62.21
W W Gould	8.25
O B Hill	27.80
C F Hill	15.00
S G Hannaford, snow bill	4.50
E V Howard, supplies	14.62
Jonas G Learned	72.25
Arabella Learned, land damage	5.00
Libbey Bros., spikes and cement	16.20
J E Lee, supplies,	9.35
G LaMontange, snow bill and saw dust	23.16
W E Lougee, labor	361.47
W E Mack, labor	31.77
Good Roads Mch'y Co., repairs	27.64
J P Metcalf, team on roller	12.00
J P Metcalf, labor on culvert Risley gulley	13.75
H S Muchmore, labor	3.00
C E Mudgett	24.00
H H Nutt, team work	211.05
Louis Parris, snow bill	8.00
Chas Perkins, team on roller	7.50
P O Perry, snow bill	15.00
Pike Mfg. Co., dynamite	10.92
C H Rodimon, labor	46.70
Amos Rodimon, snow bill	3.90
C E Rodimon	15.00
N W Robbins	3.50
H W Swain, labor and gravel	90.70
T J Stokes	23.33
O B Stanley, team work	94.50
A M Simonds, snow bill	2.00
James Thayer	.75
Charles Tarbox, 36 loads slate	3.60
Frank Wright, snow bill and repairing road	10.00

X P Wright, snow bill	21.20
Geo L Webster	56.25
D F Winn	6.27
J W Wilson	3.00
Incidentals	15.50
F D Cutting	1068.63

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS.**

Unexpended interest on Drown fund \$42.66

Int. received from	Int.	Pd. care of lots
Fletcher fund	\$47.25	\$1.65      \$1.55
George Chandler	50.00	1.75      1.55
James Platt	100.00	3.50      1.55
Emily Tallman	50.00	1.75      1.55
Charles Simpson	100.00	3.50      1.55
Hosea Quint	50.00	1.75      1.55
Mrs E O Mattoon	50.00	1.75      1.55
Stephen Drown	400.00	14.00      1.55
Mary Hunt	100.00	3.50      1.55
Baldwin	100.00	
Thomas E Stevens		
Burial fund	\$100.00	
Received Int.	4.00	
Paid Int.		4.00
Balance in Treasury,	\$61.86	

JOHN F. SIMPSON,  
Treasurer of Trust Funds

**LIBRARY ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF PIERMONT**

1918.

Jan. 30	Balance in treasury,	\$64.67
	Received from Mrs Ames	1.50
June 10	Received from Town Treasurer	38.50
Sept. 28	Received from Town Treasurer	100.00
		-----
		\$204.67

**Paid**

		\$3.55
Apr. 6	Old Corner Book Store	9.00
May 18	Mrs Evans, for work	6.00
	Granite Monthly 1 year,	1.03
	Old Corner Book Store,	1.93
	Mamie Tarbox, freight,	.84
June 6	Mamie Tarbox, cartage,	.15
14	Old Corner Book Store,	61.12
19	Guy Evans, 14 weeks care of Library,	3.50
22	Mrs Evans, work,	5.00
Aug. 28	Mrs Evans, work to Aug. 31,	10.00
Sept.	Postage, Mrs Drury,	.03
28	Old Corner Book Store,	5.14
30	Magazines and postage,	8.69
Oct. 21	Paid for "Our Day,"	2.00
Nov. 25	Paid Mrs. Evans,	7.50
Dec. 23	Paid Ludelle Ames, for work,	5.50
24	Paid F A Robie for wood,	4.00
<b>1919.</b>		
Jan. 30	Paid Ludelle Ames to Feb. 1 for work,	4.00
	Old Corner Book Store,	30.00
31	Paid cash on hand,	35.69
		\$204.67

MAMIE ROBIE,  
ABBIE DRURY,  
LOUISE S. HORTON,  
Trustees of Library.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

SAMUEL G. HANNAFORD,  
WM. E. FORD.

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School district in the town of Piermont qualified to vote in district affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 29th day of March, 1919, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
7. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of Schools.
8. To see what action the District will take in regard to a Superintendent of Schools.
9. To see how much money the District will vote to raise for the repairs of School Houses and Sheds.
10. To transact any other business that may properly come before this meeting,

Given under our hands at said Piermont this 12th, day of February 1919.

AGUSTUS M. SIMONS  
EARL V. HOWARD  
ORLO B. STANLEY  
School Board.

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

AGUSTUS M. SIMONS  
EARL V. HOWARD  
ORLO B. STANLEY  
School Board.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board of the Piermont School District:  
As district superintendent, I am herewith presenting  
for your consideration a brief report for the first half  
of the school year of 1918-19.

Thus far my work has been mainly that of getting acquainted with the general school conditions, of putting good tools in the way of good books and supplies into the hands of the teachers, of checking up the daily program in each school and of advising and assisting teachers in regard to the many problems which arise from day to day. Nothing revolutionary has been undertaken. The educative process is of slow growth and the yearly result may not be startling but each year should see continuous progress in the way of higher standards of scholarship, of better attendance, of more adequate housing conditions, of higher grade teachers and of general school efficiency.

In general the text books were badly worn and out of date. As far as the appropriation allowed these have been replaced by the best modern texts. The new books include arithmetics, geographies and English texts for all grades, histories for grades 4, 7 and 8, and dictionaries for the rural schools. As far as possible the old books have been used for exchange in order to lessen expense. There is still need of new physiologies of histories for grades 5 and 6, of supplementary reading for all grades and of wall maps for use in geography and history. At present there are no usable maps in the district.

The total enrollment for the present year in the seven schools is 75. The largest number in any school is fifteen at Clay Hollow, the smallest 5 in the Rodiman school. Three of last year's teachers returned in the fall and Mrs. Martha Clough took charge of the Brook Road school in the winter, so that the district has the

advantage of four experienced teachers. Miss Higginbotham at Clay Hollow is a graduate of the Worcester Normal School. The problem of keeping competent teachers is a most vital one and the only solution is to advance salaries.

The average monthly salary for teachers in the town last year was \$38.37. This year it is \$45, an encouraging increase. In comparison with the wages of other kinds of labor at present we can not complain that our teachers are at all grasping, especially when we think of what is required of them in the way of refinement and education.

The average number of weeks in town schools last years was something less than 32. It is hardly reasonable to expect that under average conditions schools can accomplish as much in 32 weeks as other towns which have from 36 to 40 weeks. Perhaps this accounts for the fact that some pupils are unable to complete the elementary work in eight years.

It seems to me that there are at present excellent opportunities in Piermont for a partial consolidation of schools through transportation. The schools on the brook road and state road could easily and quickly be brought to the village where there is plenty of room. For the larger part of the year this could be done by motor bus or truck very satisfactorily. Success here would require comfortable and responsible transportation and careful and competent supervision during the noon hour.

I have found in Piermont some excellent teachers, capable and interested pupils and a public sentiment favorable to permanent progress.

Respectfully submitted,  
NORMAN J. PAGE

## DISTRICT SCHOOL

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Treasurer's Report from Jan. 31, 1918 to Aug. 31, 1918  
In a classified form as follows:

Received from Town Treasurer		
Since Jan. 31, 1918 to June 18,		
1918	\$1,551.19	
Cash in School Treasury at Settlement Jan. 31, 1918	159.32	
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Paid Teachers		
Teachers	Weeks	
Susan R. Glines	13	\$104.00
Alice L. Clark	14	224.00
Frances P. Washburn	14	112.00
Marjorie G. Morrison	14	154.00
Martha B. Clough	14	126.00
Clara E. Stokes	11	99.00
Rena Morris	10	80.00
Ruby Tebbetts	2	20.00
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	\$919.00	
Paid Officers		
O. B. Stanley, Clerk	\$ 5.00	
E. R. Celley, Treasurer	15.00	
Fred A. Horton, Moderator	3.00	
O. E. Barnard, Superintendent	20.00	
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	\$43.00	
Janitor Service		
Harold Day	\$ 2.50	
Clifton Page	5.25	
Lawrence Wilson	6.25	
Harry Clayburn	64.50	
Mrs. W H French	5.50	
Rena Morris	2.50	
Jennie Parris	.75	
Ruby Tebbetts	.50	
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	\$87.75	

## Supplies and Books

Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$36.47
Maxmillan Company	1.06
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	\$37.53

## Cleaning House

Mrs. Harry Clayburn	\$9.50
Mrs. W H French	9.25
Mrs Alex Ramsey	3.00
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	\$21.75

## Wood Bill

Joseph Clayburn	\$ 1.00
Allen D. Felch	37.00
Ray A. Knapp	5.00
George B. Corliss	3.00
S. J. Bartlett	3.50
Harry E. Stebbins	1.00
Charles Johnson	37.75
Milo B. Sawyer	11.00
James W. Wilson	8.00
Amos B. Ball, sawing wood	3.50
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	\$110.75
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	\$1,219.78

## Repairs

James W. Wilson, labor	\$12.00
O. B. Stanley, labor	1.00
A. M. Simons, labor	2.00
John Wilson, labor and lumber	11.44
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	\$26.44

## Tuition

Bradford Academy	\$ 64.50
Haverhill	140.00
Lisbon High	33.00
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	\$237.50

## Carrying Scholars

Mabel French	\$131.50
Rena Morris	15.00
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	\$146.50

**Miscellaneous Bills**

Joseph Clayburn, auto hire	\$3.00
E. R. Celley, Postage and Sta-	
tionary. Report to Depart-	
ment Public Instruction and	
Eastman's Bill	8.05
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	\$11.05

**Graduation Bills**

S. P. French, for flowers	\$1.06
Oval & Koster, Rolls of Honor	
and Diplomas	8.75
F. P. Frost, Speaker	5.00
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	\$14.81

Total payments	\$1,656.08
Balance Cash in hand	54.43
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	\$1,710.51

**STATEMENT AS FOLLOWS**

Paid Teachers	\$919.00
Paid Officers	43.00
Paid Janitors	87.75
Paid for Supplies	37.53
Paid for Cleaning House	21.75
Paid for Wood	110.75
Paid for Repairs	26.44
Paid for Tuition	237.50
Paid for Carrying Scholars	146.50
Paid for Miscellaneous Bills	11.05
Paid for Graduation, Grammar	
School	14.81
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Balance in hand	\$1,656.08
	\$54.43

#### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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This certifies that we have examined the accounts of the Town Officers of Piermont and have found them correctly kept, and vouchers for all payments according to the best of our belief.

SAMMUEL G. HANNAFORD  
WILLIAM E. FORD

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PIERMONT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of ea. of Groom and Bride yrs.	Occupation of each	Place of birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. mar.	No. Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by whom Married
1918 Jan. 1	Lisbon	Basil Elliott Bernice E. Stetson Harold F. Hill Lucy A. Sawyer Charles A. Tarbox Eunice Belle Glover	Lisbon Piermont Piermont Piermont Piermont Fairfield Ave., C.	22 22 19 18 50 24	Farmer Nurse Farmer Housework Farmer None	Lisbon Piermont Norton, Vt. Piermont Orford N. Y. City	James G. F. Elliott George Stetson John Hill Milo B. Sawyer Charles Tarbox James A. Glover	Lisbon Orford Newport, Vt. Topsham, Vt. Piermont	Farmer Expressman Farmer Farmer Deceased Farmer	1 1 1 1 2 1	George W. Pike, (C), Lisbon Robert L. Risley, Justice of the Peace, Piermont George M. Brown, (C.), Bridgeport, Conn.
Feb. 20	Piermont										
April 2	Bridgeport, C.										

Color, White

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
EDWIN R. CELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PIERMONT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918.

Date of birth	Place of Birth	Name of the Child (if any)	Sex, condition and No. child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Physician
1918										
Jan. 5	Piermont	Madeleine E. Stebbins	F L 1	Clarence B. Stebbins	Nina Saunders	Piermont	T. lineman	Newbury, Vt.	Gardiner, Me.	Fred C. Russell
	Piermont	Arnold M. Hill	M L 8	Orlando B. Hill	Lola I. Howland	Piermont	Farmer	Piermont	Piermont	Mary E. Smith
	Piermont	Venette Virginia Hill	F F L 3	Clarence F. Hill	Eva J. Morse	Piermont	Laborer	Potton, Vt.	Piermont	Fred C. Russell
	Piermont	Winifred Smith	F F L 1	Albion L. Smith	Ivalon M. Towle	Piermont	Laborer	Potton, Vt.	Bradford, Vt.	Fred C. Russell
Mar. 23	Piermont	Henry Isaac Wilson	M L 5	Hazen G. Wilson	Nellie Fairbather	Piermont	Farmer	Groton, Vt.	Canada, P. Q.	Fred C. Russell
	Piermont	Charles Roderic Morrill	M L 3	Frederick H. Wilson	Beulah H. Brown	Piermont	Farmer	Haverhill, Vt.	Haverhill, Vt.	Fred C. Russell
	Piermont	Oliver Milo Howe	M L 2	Oliver E. Howe	Mildred V. Sawyer	Haverhill	Boxmaker	Benton	Piermont	Fred C. Russell
	Piermont	Samuel Edward Stevens	M L 2	William R. Stevens	Myrrie M. Robie	Piermont	Farmer	E. Corinth, Vt.	Piermont	Fred C. Russell
April 17	Piermont	Christie Elizabeth Emery	F L 3	Pay S. Emery	Gladys C. Chesley	Piermont	Farmer	Piermont	Lyme	Fred C. Russell
	Piermont	Millie Yvonne French	F L 5	Lewis G. French	Josie M. Everett	Piermont	Farmer	Orford	Haverhill	Samuel Fraser
May	Piermont	Glen Elwin Perkins	M L 3	Ralph Clyde Perkins	Maud L. Barnett	Piermont	Laborer	Hardwick, Vt.	Hardwick, Vt.	Henry W. Stetson
June 17	Piermont	Henry Ellsworth Stebbins	M L 2	Harry E. Stebbins	Daisy P. Stevens	Piermont	Farmer	Newbury, Vt.	S. Durham, Me.	W. E. Lawrence
	Piermont	Loula May Felch	F L 1	Allen D. Felch	Bertha M. Cookman	Piermont	Farmer	Morgan, Vt.	Wardrobe, Mass.	Samuel Fraser
	Piermont	Richard Jilson Hackett	M L 7	Harley C. Hackett	Jennie Etta Everson	Piermont	Laborer	Orford	Lisbon	Geo. A. Weaver
Oet 12	Piermont	Robert Phelon Perry	M L 3	Phelon O. Perry	Maud A. Jewett	Piermont	Farmer	Warren		

Color, all white.  
Parents, all white.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
EDWIN R. CELLEY,  
*Town Clerk.*

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PIERMONT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1918.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age Years Months Days	Place of Birth	Sex and condition Male Female Married or Wid.	Occupation	Birthplace of Father	Name of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Mother
1918										
Jan. 5	Piermont	Althea M. Stanley	44 0 2	Groton, Vt.	F	M	Housewife	Groton, Vt.	Isaac Wilson	Caroline E. Heath
	Piermont	John W. Wilson	75 7 8	Canada, P. Q.	M	M	Farmer	Nova Scotia	James Wilson	Sophia Griffin
Feb. 1	Florida	John Ralph Goodwin	29 3 7	Warren	M	M	Soldier	Warren	Charles B. Goodwin	Nellie E. Marcy
April 28	Piermont	Ama Stickney Simpson	31 1 18	Millington, P. Q.	F	W	Retired	Millington, P. Q.	Lebediah Stickney	Nancy Randal
July 30	Piermont	Alfred French	27 6 19	Piermont	M	S	Farmer	Piermont	William H. French	Alice Brown
July 25	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Joseph Deeb	20 1 26	Piermont	M	S	Chef	Piermont	Frank Chandler	Emma Merrill
Aug. 19	Piermont	Jay E. Chandler	34 0 12	Piermont	M	M	Farmer	Townworth	Herbert Hobbs	Laura M. Merrill
Aug. 26	Piermont	Pauline Isabel Maxfield	20 1 26	Townworth	M	S	Laborer	Salisbury	Albert A. Maxfield	Clara Nichols
Oct. 3	Piermont	William S. Howland	2 3 4	Woodsville	F	S	Child	W. S. A.	Lee Honland	Edna Marsh
Oct. 6	Piermont	Harry D. Hackelt	34 2 8	Orford	M	M	Cometor	West Fairlee, Vt.	David Hackelt	Emma Eastman
Oct. 6	Piermont	Albert S. Hodson	30 11 16	Orford	M	M	Farmer	Vermont	Aaron G. Hodson	Mary A. Lillie
Oct. 7	Piermont	Laura M. Maxfield	39 1 27	Piermont	M	S	Farmer	Ireland	Frank B. Merrill	Josephine Celley
Nov. 8	Piermont	Guy R. Evans	23 4 29	Salisbury	F	M	Housewife	Piermont	Joseph O. Evans	Josephine Celley
Dec. 14	Woodsville	Dan Evans	29 3 13	Piermont	M	S	Farmer	Waterbury, Vt.	Lee Howland	Clara Nichols
Dec. 15	Dodge, Ga.	Lola L. Hill	37 0 16	Piermont	M	S	Soldier	Piermont		
Dec. 29	Piermont		30 5 16	Piermont	F	M	Housewife	New Hampshire		

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EDWIN R. CELLEY,  
Town Clerk.

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